

**MINUTES OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
HELD ON WEDNESDAY AUGUST 12, 2015 AT 1:00 P.M. IN THE CITY
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

MAYOR: Alfonso E. Ortiz, Jr.

COUNCILORS: Tonita Gurule-Giroñ
Vince Howell
Joey Herrera
David L. Romero

ALSO PRESENT: Elmer J. Martinez, City Manager
Casandra Fresquez, City Clerk
Dave Romero, City Attorney
Juan Montano, Sergeant at Arms

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Ortiz Jr. asked for a moment of silence in appreciation of the freedoms that we as individuals enjoy.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilor Herrera made a motion to approve the agenda with the recommendation of moving Item 5 regarding the ICIP to the end of the agenda. Councilor Howell and Councilor Gurule-Giroñ seconded the motion.

Mayor Ortiz Jr. asked for a roll call. Roll call was taken and reflected the following.

Joey Herrera Yes
David L. Romero Yes

Tonita Gurule-Giroñ Yes
Vince Howell Yes

City Clerk Casandra Fresquez re-read the motion and advised the motion carried.

MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS/REPORTS

Mayor Ortiz Jr. advised he had no appointments or reports at this time.

MAYOR'S RECOGNITION/PROCLAMATION

Mayor Ortiz Jr. advised he would postpone till the Regular Meeting.

PUBLIC INPUT

Mr. Bob Wessely spoke to the Governing Body regarding the water quality and equipment failure creating an obstacle for economic development. Mr. Wessely encouraged the Governing Body to continue with moving forward with the Preliminary Engineering Report that was adopted in 2011.

CITY MANAGER'S INFORMATIONAL REPORT

City Manager Martinez advised the City is in negotiations with Mr. Lewicki for a lease agreement to build a hanger at the municipal airport and will be brought to a later meeting.

Mr. Paul Lewicki gave the Governing Body a brief overview of his background and his desire to build a hanger for his plane versus Santa Fe or Angel Fire. Mr. Lewicki advised how impressed he is with the City's airport and runway and stated not a lot of people are aware of just how impressive the airport in Las Vegas is. Mr. Lewicki advised not only would he be traveling to Las Vegas but bringing several investors who may be interested in purchasing property in Las Vegas as well as bringing business opportunities to the area.

City Manager Martinez spoke of the four major events that were recently held in the community with no major disruptions and good attendance from people of the community along with many visitors from various states. City Manager Martinez advised the City has a process that is followed when events are occurring in the community and that is the events permit, essentially guidelines to protect the infrastructure of our community parks from damage.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Out of State Travel for Paralegal to attend State Bar of New Mexico 2015 Annual Meeting in Colorado Springs, Colorado September 30th through October 2, 2015.

City Attorney Romero advised the State Bar of New Mexico holds its annual meeting in New Mexico and once every five years it is held out of state for a change of venue. City Attorney Romero advised that Ms. Darlene Arguello is the new Paralegal in his office and attending the annual meeting she will receive 12 CLE credits and gain knowledge in legal services through the various workshops that will be beneficial to her position.

Councilor Gurule-Giroñ asked what line item would the funding be used from and expressed her concerns that departments spend funding on training for individuals and what guarantee is there that the individual won't leave the position six months from now.

City Attorney Romero advised Mr. Arguello has proven herself to be an asset to the City of Las Vegas and has tremendous knowledge of various departments and her family is located within the community.

The Governing Body agreed to place the item as a consent agenda item.

2. Out of State Travel for Grants Administrator to attend the Financial Management Training Seminar on Washington, DC September 23rd thru September 24, 2015.

Police Chief Montano advised the seminars are designed for persons responsible for the financial administration of formula and/or discretionary grants and cooperative agreements awarded from Federal grant-in-aid programs administered by the Department of Justice and Office Justice Program Bureaus and Offices. Ms. Beatrice Salazar has not attended a training of this type since 2011 and though she will be retiring from the Police Department in six years, Chief Montano feels the knowledge she will gain will benefit the department during the remainder of her employment. The funding for the training will be out of the General Fund.

The Governing Body agreed to place the item as a consent agenda item.

3. Ratification of authorization for Out of State Travel.

City Manager Martinez advised the Governing Body that he sent a letter explaining the need for the immediate travel and informed the auditors of the situation that a meeting would not take place until after the travel was completed and they advised him to send a letter to the Governing Body informing them of the travel and the ratification at the next meeting.

Chief Montano advised the purpose of the trip was to pick up a vehicle from the DLA Disposition Services at Ft. Bliss in El Paso, Texas. The DLA Disposition Services deals with the issuing of decommissioned military property to law enforcement agencies. The vehicle is a 2 ½ ton military truck that will be used as

a mobile command center for the Las Vegas Police Department. The expenses for the travel were based on actual cost used.

The Governing Body agreed to place the item as a consent agenda item.

4. Resolution No. 15-36, Sale of Obsolete Excess Property.

Procurement Officer June Tafoya advised the Governing body that the City is planning an auction for obsolete materials, such as computers, obsolete vehicles, and other obsolete equipment including scrap metal that are beyond their useful life and have fully depreciated.

Questions were asked about the process of determining whether items were depreciated and would the money collected be given back to the department or into a general fund.

City Manager Martinez advised items that were purchased from the General Fund, any sale at auction would revert back to the General Fund, same as Enterprise and Housing.

The Governing Body agreed to place the item as a consent agenda item.

6. Resolution No. 15-31 Rescinding Resolution No. 14-26 Duty Weapon Decommission Retirement Transaction.

Chief Montano advised in 2014 a Resolution was adopted to allow a retiring officer to keep their duty weapon. Chief Montano advised due to financial restraints, it is no longer feasible to relinquish city property. Chief Montano feels the money that would be used to purchase new duty weapons for the department would best be served in another area of the budget and is asking for the Governing Body to approve the Resolution that would rescind the previous resolution.

The Governing Body agreed to place the item as a consent agenda item.

7. Recommendation to award bid No. 2016-01 for Solid Waste Line Extension materials as a multiple source award to Baker Utility Supply and HD Waterworks.

Project Manager Gilvarry advised the purpose of this project is to purchase materials for city workers to install 2000' of 12" water line to the Las Vegas Solid Waste transfer station on Airport Road. The department would like to award to both bidders as prices are lower on different materials.

Discussion took place on the multiple awards being for the purchase of materials only.

The Governing Body agreed to place the item as a consent agenda item.

8. Recommendation to award bid No. 2016-02 for the Waste Water Treatment Plant Sludge Thickening Equipment installation project to low bidder Hays Plumbing and Heating.

Project Manager Gilvarry advised the project involves the construction and installation of a centrifuge for sludge in the existing Lime Building. The centrifuge will reduce the water content on the injectable solids, thereby reducing operational costs. Project Manager Gilvarry advised the project is funded by the Clean Water State Revolving Fund. Project Manager Gilvarry advised this project is a rebid; the department received a protest from one of the bidders.

Questions were asked who would be subcontracting the project.

The Governing Body agreed to place the item as a Consent agenda item.

9. Resolution No. 15-27 Abatement of nuisances located at 209 9th Street.

Code Enforcement Officer Lujan advised the Governing Body that the property has several nuisances on the property. The property has not been cleaned or maintained for several years. Code Enforcement Officer Lujan advised the Governing Body on his process of notifying the property owner and referred to pictures of the property.

Questions were asked if the owners have contacted the department regarding the cleanup of the property.

The Governing Body agreed to place the item as a consent agenda item.

10. Resolution No. 15-33 Abatement of nuisances located at 1600 New Mexico Avenue.

Code Enforcement Officer Lujan advised the Governing Body the property has not been cleaned or maintained for over a year, creating a hazard to the public health, welfare and safety. The notices were received by the property owner of the pending abatement.

The Governing Body agreed to place the item as a consent agenda item.

11. Resolution No. 15-34 Abatement of nuisances located at 410 Union Street.

Code Enforcement Officer Lujan advised the property owner started work to correct the nuisances on the property but has not continued, no further work has been done to the property. The property has a collection of scrap metal, five

trucks and debris. The property owner did receive notice of the pending abatement.

Councilor Gurule-Giroń advised there was a misspelling within the resolution of the property owners name and thanked Code Enforcement Officer Lujan for his hard work and working with the property owners.

Questions were asked what would happen if the property owner contacted the department asking for an extension or cleaned the property.

City Manager Martinez advised if there was progress made with the property owner it would be recommended that the item be removed from the agenda.

The Governing Body agreed to place the item as a consent agenda item.

12. Resolution No. 15-35 Abatement of nuisances located at 310 Cumbres Patio.

Code Enforcement Officer Lujan advised the property has not been cleaned or maintained for over a year and several nuisances of overgrown weeds have been noted on the property.

The Governing Body agreed to place the item as a consent agenda item.

5. Resolution No. 15-37 2017-2021 Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan (ICIP) prioritization of projects.

Project Manager Cavazos advised the Governing Body the Department of Finance, Local Government Division recommends that municipalities prepare and submit an ICIP in order to plan the systematic allocation of funds and also enable the Executive Branch of State Government to propose a rationale ICIP to the Legislature for funding. Public Works Project Manager Cavazos advised that many of the projects previously listed have been completed and need to reprioritize projects for the City.

City Manager Martinez explained the ranking and the points system; previously it was the lowest number was the priority and now the number states the points given.

Questions were asked how the top 15 projects were ranked and rated.

City Manager Martinez advised he met with Department Directors and discussed what projects were near completion and what projects needed to be added.

Discussion took place regarding the streets on the West Side of town and asked if they could be included in the ICIP.

Questions were asked regarding potholes on various streets and if they were being addressed.

The Governing Body proceeded to rank the projects.

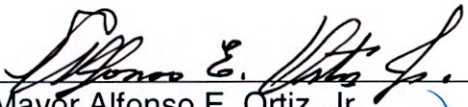
ADJOURN

Councilor Gurule-Giroñ made a motion to adjourn. Councilor Herrera seconded the motion.

Mayor Ortiz Jr. asked for a roll call. Roll call was taken and reflected the following.

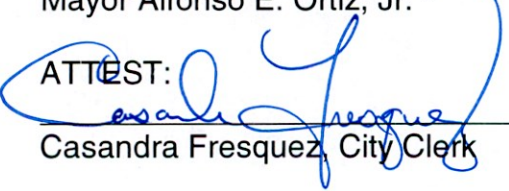
Joey Herrera	Yes	Tonita Gurule-Giroñ	Yes
David L. Romero	Yes	Vince Howell	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised the motion carried.



Mayor Alfonso E. Ortiz, Jr.

ATTEST:



Casandra Fresquez, City Clerk